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## Coolidge Municipal Court

## **COVID-19 COURT OPERATING PROCEDURES**

- Masks are <u>required</u>. You may bring your own or we will provide a disposable mask for you.
- Please sanitize your hands upon entering the building at the sanitizing station provided.
- Maintain 6 ft. Social Distancing
- Court room capacity is 10 people.
- The court room will be set up utilizing the Center for Disease Control guidelines.
- Only defendants may attend court. You are not allowed to bring children, spouses, or other family and friends to your scheduled hearing time. Defendants 18 and under may have (1) parent or guardian attend court with you.
- Please inform the court in advance if you require an interpreter.
- Court Security will be using temperature scanners to ensure that defendants with temperatures higher than the CDC guidelines are not allowed in court. You will be referred to the Court Clerk for rescheduling.
- If you are sick or if you have been around someone who is sick in the past 14 days, please call our office immediately to be rescheduled.
- Upon defendant's arrival, Security will confirm that their name is on the docket for that time period.
- Court Security will take the defendant's temperature and ask the following questions:
  - Have you traveled out of the country in the last 14 days?
  - Have you had contact with anyone with confirmed COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
  - Have you had any of these symptoms in the last 14 days:
    - o Fever greater than 100 degrees?
    - o Difficulty breathing?
    - o Cough?

\*Anyone who answers "yes" to any of these questions – or anyone attending court who would be considered high risk defendants, such as elderly persons, persons with respiratory illnesses, or persons with weakened immune systems – will be issued a new court date prior to being allowing into the court room.

 All court staff will have their temperatures taken and follow the same procedures as defendants attending court.

SO ORDERED THIS 215 DAY OF Aug., 2020

Judge, Oscar T. Cook, Jr. Coolidge Municipal Court